

90 days, you may extend the fraud alert for an additional 90 days.

Transunion: 800-680-7289; www.transunion.com

Equifax: 877-576-5734; www.equifax.com

Experian: 888-397-3742; www.experian.com

- When you place a fraud alert with one of these three companies, you will receive information about ordering one free credit report from each of the companies. Many people wait about a month from when the information was stolen to order their report because suspicious activity may not appear right away.
- If you learn that your identity has been compromised, file a complaint with the police and with the Federal Trade Commission at www.ftc.gov/idtheft, or call 877-ID-THEFT. The FTC website also has step-by-step instructions on other measures to take, including an ID Theft Affidavit that consumers can use when displaying unauthorized accounts.

For more information visit:

- Identity Theft Tips from the Federal Trade Commission
www.ftc.gov/idtheft
- The U.S. Government's Official Web Portal
www.FirstGov.gov/veteransinfo
- Department of Veterans Affairs
www.va.gov

Please contact my office if you need additional assistance.

Sincerely,



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